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Sir:

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2. Petition Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(e)(2) To Accord A Filing Date To A Nonprovisional Application;
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4. Copy of 1 sheet of drawings: (Figure 1);
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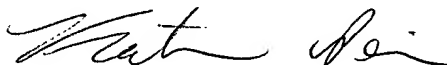
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